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Letter dated 30 April 1984 from the Permanent Representative of  
the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic to the United Nations  
addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 9 March 1984 concerning the organization and convening of an international peace conference on the Middle East.

The Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic has always been in favour of seeking a comprehensive solution to the question of the Middle East, on a just and realistic basis, through the collective efforts of all the parties concerned, including the Palestine Liberation Organization, the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people. That is why the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic strongly supports the idea of an international conference on the Middle East.

Being deeply convinced that this conference would open the true way to the solution of the complex set of problems created by the conflict in the Middle East, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic co-sponsored resolution 38/58 C, in which the General Assembly, at its thirty-eighth session, endorsed the idea of convening an international peace conference on the Middle East.

Consequently, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic supports fully and without reservation the idea of convening the conference. The question of participation in the conference could be settled during the direct preparations for the conference.

It is nevertheless regrettable to note the obstructive attitude taken towards this conference by the United States of America and Israel, which is confirmed

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once again by the letters from the Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations and the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations dated 13 January and 26 April 1984 respectively.

If the artificial obstacles to the conference were eliminated - which is the main task at the current stage - the essential conditions would be created for the subsequent settlement of the questions relating to the organization and convening of the conference.

The United Nations and its Secretary-General can contribute effectively to the attainment of these objectives and the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic is ready to co-operate to that end.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 33 of the preliminary list, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) Vladimir A. KRAVETS  
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Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic  
to the United Nations

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